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SST GOES ON Although the Anglo-French supersonic airliner, the Concorde, is virtually unsaleable--too noisy, too expensive, too uneconomical--and Congress decided in March, 1971, to terminate the U.S. supersonic transport development program, NASA is still spending $11.7 million on SST research.

President Nixon justifies this in his 1974 budget in order "to provide the United States with the option to initiate development of an advanced supersonic transport later in the 1970's."

When Richard Nixon was a boy in Whittier, Calif., his devout Quaker mother advised him: "You must never give up." As regards the SST, Nixon never has.